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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir/Madam:

This response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated September 12, 2002, for which a response is due on or before October 12, 2002. No fees are believed to be due; however, the Commissioner is also authorized to charge any necessary fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of this application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above application, without prejudice, as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

The pending claims, after entry of the amendment, are set forth in Appendix 1. A marked-up copy of the amended claims, showing the changes made thereto, is set forth in Appendix 2.

I. <u>REMARKS</u>

After entry of the present Amendment, claims 1-34 are pending in the present application. Support for newly added claims 30-34 can be found throughout the Specification,





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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

- 1. Transmittal Letter;
- 2. Response to Restriction Requirement and Amendment;
- 3. Appendix 1 Clean Version of Pending Claims;
- 4. Appendix 2 Marked-Up Version of Amended Claims; and
- 5. Postcard evidencing the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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